Highlights of the Board of Education Meeting February 26, 2003

Resolutions and Recognitions

 Presentation of the Leadership in Arts Instruction Award to Dr. E. Wayne Harris, superintendent of Roanoke City Public Schools (postponed due to inclement weather in the Roanoke area).

Consent Agenda

First review of a request from Arlington County Public Schools for approval of an experimental or innovative program involving opening prior to Labor Day.

First review of a request from Virginia Beach Public Schools for approval of an experimental or innovative program involving opening prior to Labor Day.

First review of a request from Newport News Public Schools for approval of an experimental or innovative program involving opening prior to Labor Day.

Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
Final review of proposed revisions to the Curriculum Framework for the English Standards of Learning.	The board approved the proposed revisions and authorized the staff of the Department of Education to make technical and non-material changes.
First review of additional supplemental services providers under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.	The board waived first review and approved the additional supplemental services providers.
First review of K-3 history and social science textbooks and instructional materials for state adoption.	The board accepted the textbooks and instructional materials for first review.
First review of the Virginia cut score for the ParaPro Assessment for Paraprofessionals.	The board accepted the proposed cut score for first review.
First review of a revision to the Guidelines Governing Certain Provisions of the Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131-10 et. seq.) relating to assessments for the Modified Standard Diploma.	The board accepted the proposed revision for first review.
First review of Individual Student Alternative Education Plan Program Guidelines, Revised.	The board accepted the revised guidelines for first review.

Reports

Study of the Effectiveness of the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) Reforms (This agenda item was added at the request of Board of Education President Mark C. Christie.)

Budget Highlights from the 2003 General Assembly Session (This agenda item was added at the request of Mr. Christie.)

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Discussion of Current Issues

There was no discussion by board members of current issues.

Adjournment

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